## The Art of Venice

Justina Yee National Gallery of Art

## How was Venetian Renaissance art and its legacy distinct from Central Italy?

- Venice's geo-political stability and aesthetic diversity
- "Pictorial Poetry": landscape as narrative and use of oil
- Disegno vs. Colorito: truth vs. myth
- Titian's long career and legacy

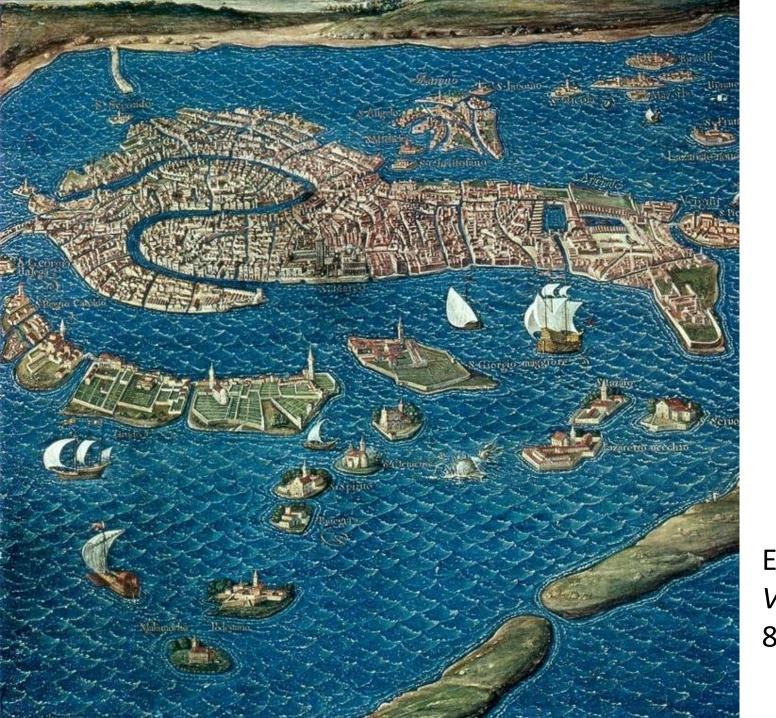


"Mundus Alter" – Petrarch

Jacopo de' Barbari, *Bird's eye view of Venice*, c.1500, printed from a six-piece woodcut



Italy's city-states during the Renaissance



Egnazio Danti, Venice, 1580-81, Fresco



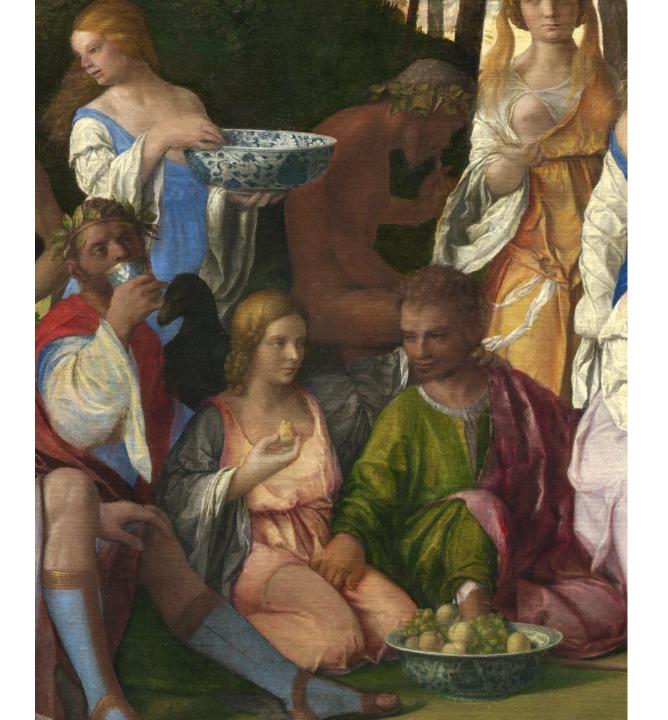
Moretto da
Brescia,
Portrait of a
Lady in White,
c. 1540

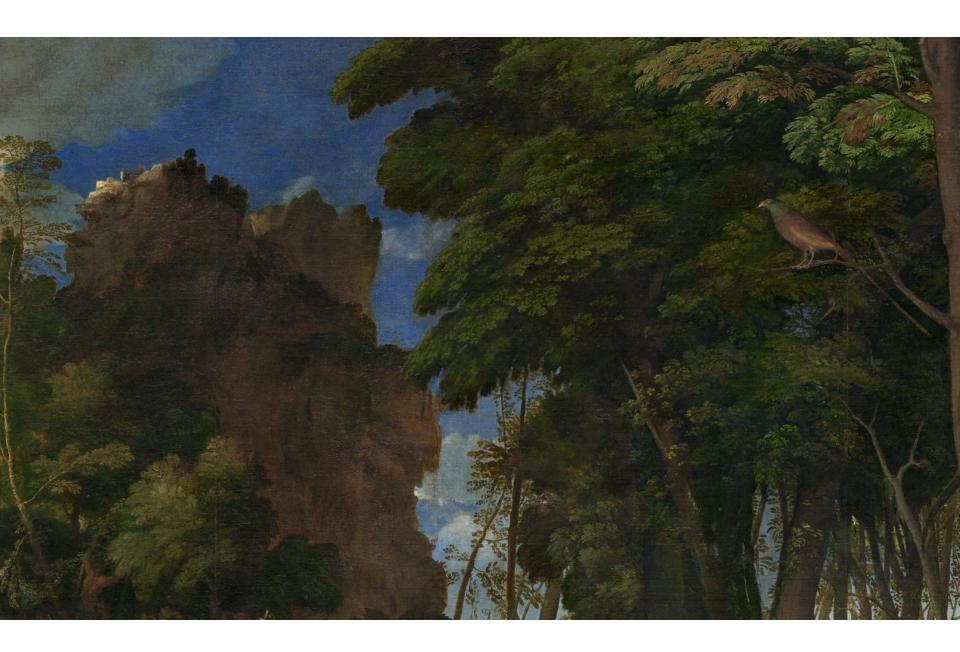


Sebastian del Piombo, *Cardinal Bandinello Sauli, His Secretary, and Two Geographers*, 1516



Giovanni
Bellini and
Titian, The
Feast of the
Gods,
1514/1529







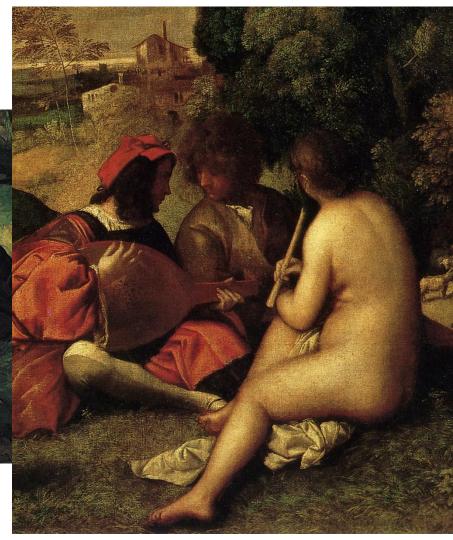
Giorgione, *The Adoration of the Shepherds*, 1505/1510



Giorgione or Titian, *Pastoral Concert* c. 1510



(detail) Manet, *Le Dejeuner* sur l'herbe, 1863





Giorgione, *The Tempest,* c. 1506



Titian, Assumption of the Virgin, c. 1516















Titian, *Doge Andrea Gritti,*1546/1548



Titian,

Portrait of a

Lady, c. 1555

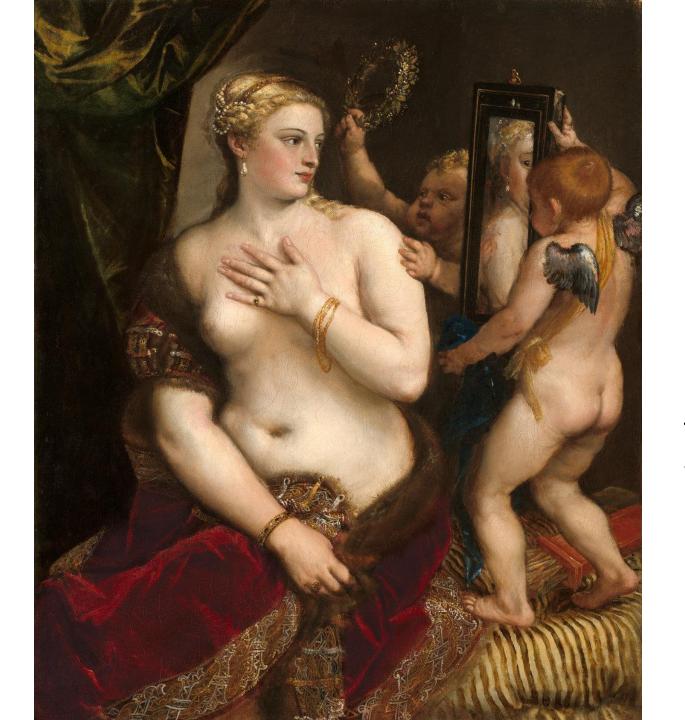




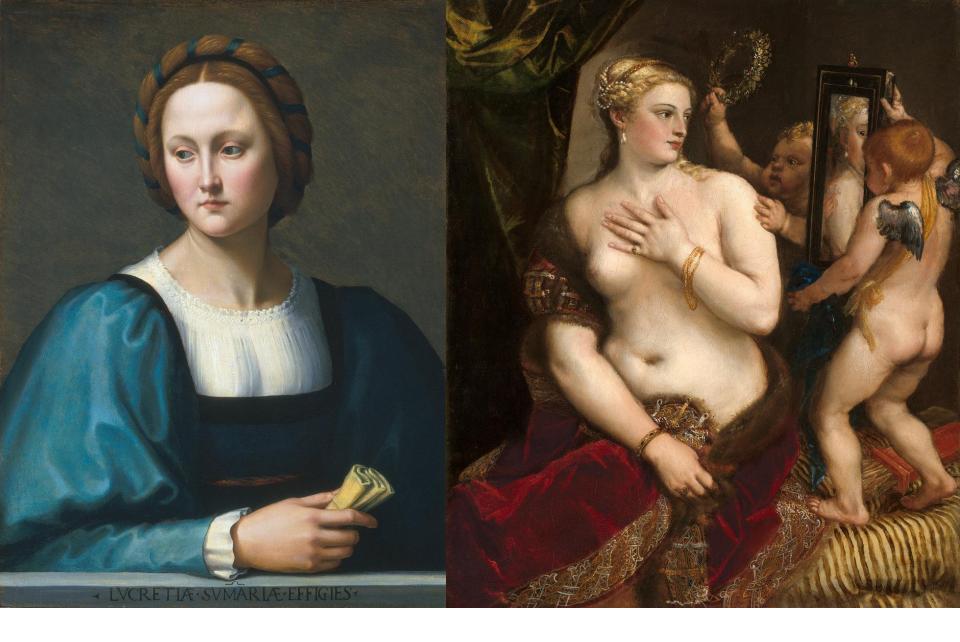
Ghirlandaio, *Lucrezia Sommariac*, c. 1510







Titian, Venus with Mirror, c. 1555



## Disegno vs. Colorito

Titian concealed "under the charm of his colors his poor knowledge of how to draw."

-Giorgio Vasari (*Lives of the Artists,* c. 1568)

"No one [was] superior to Titian because of prowess in draftsmanship."

- Ludovico Dolce (Dialogo della Pittura, 1557)



Titian, Group of Trees, c. 1514



Titian, Studies for Averoldi Polyptych, c. 1520











Titian,
Averoldi
Polyptych,
c. 1520-22,
Church of
Santi
Nazaro e
Celso, Brescia





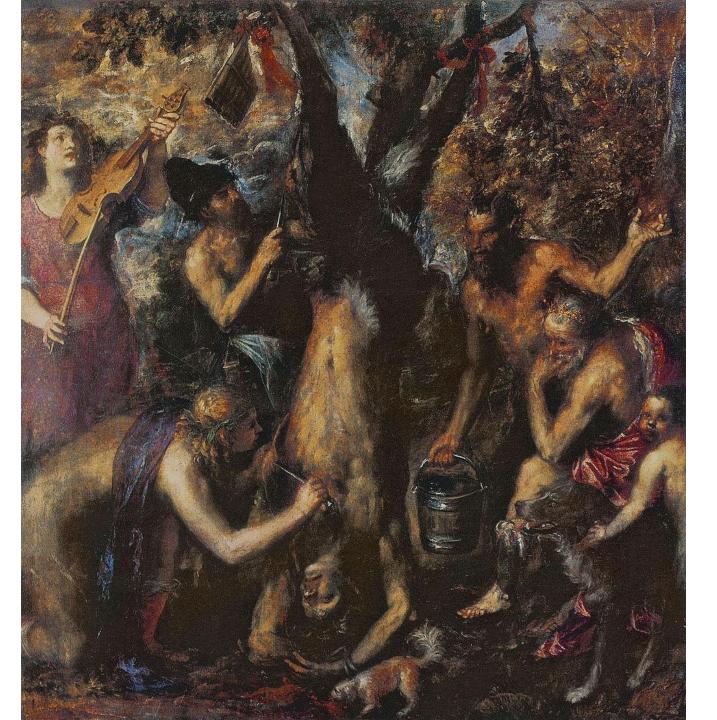




Francesco Maria della Rovere, Duke of Urbino, 1536 (drawing), 1536-38 (painting)



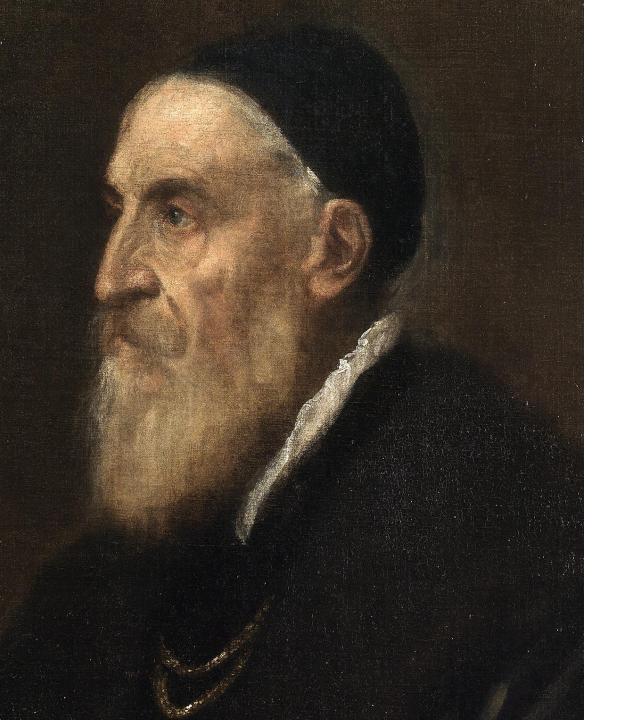
Titian, St. Theodore and the Dragon, c. 1560



Titian,
Flaying of
Marsyas, c.
1575



Titian, Self-Portrait, c. 1567



Detail, Titian, *Self-Portrait*, c. 1567



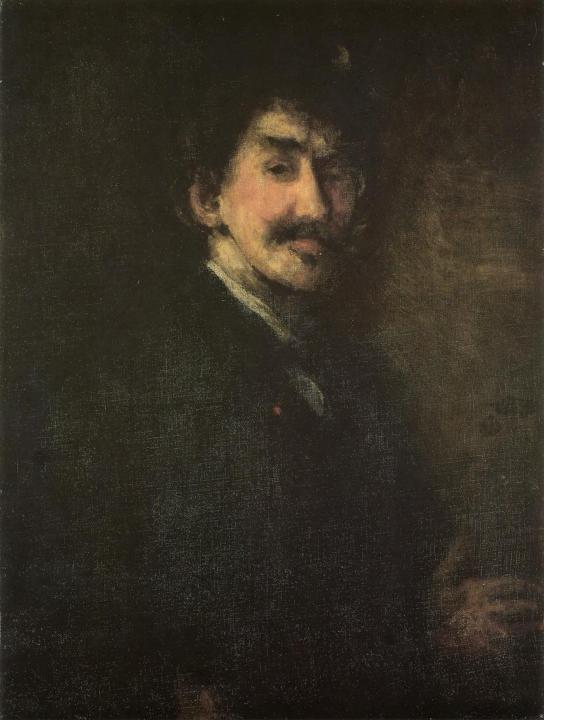
Tintoretto, *Self-Portrait,* c. 1588



*Self-Portrait,* Diego Velázquez, c. 1645



Self-Portrait, Rembrandt van Rijn, 1659



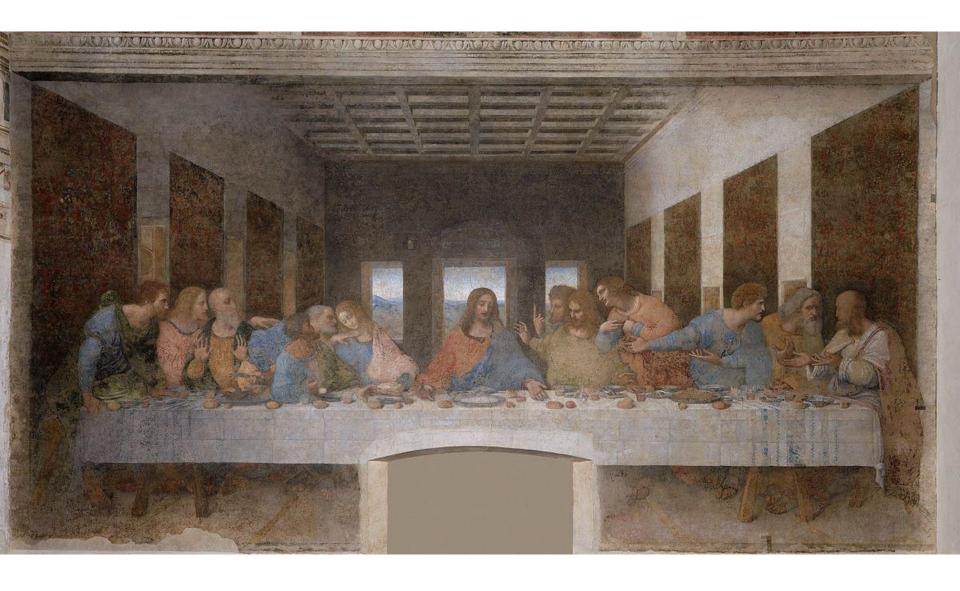
Self-Portrait, James McNeill Whistler, c. 1896-98

Tintoretto, *Last Supper*, c. 1592-94









Leonardo, Last Supper, 1495–1498

